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THE USE OF ARSENIC, OPIUM AND OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS.

Strange Appetites of the People of Lower Austria—Peculiar Use of Corrosive Sublimate—A Trick of Horse Dealers—Some of Our "Ordinary Indulgences."

In some districts of lower Austria and in Styria, especially in those mountainous parts bordering on Hungary, there prevails the strange habit of eating arsenic. The peasants, in particular, are given to it. They obtain it under the name of *hodri*, from the traveling hucksters and gatherers of herbs, who, on their side, get it from the glassworkers, or purchase it from the corn doctors, quacks or mountebanks. The poison eaters have a two-fold aim in their dangerous employment, one of which is to obtain a fresh, healthy appearance, and acquire a certain degree of complexion. On this account, therefore, gay village lads and lasses employ the dangerous agent, that they may become more attractive to each other, and it is really astonishing with what favorable results their endeavors are after ed; for it is just the youthful poison eaters that are, generally speaking, distinguished by a blooming complexion and an appearance of robust health.

According to inquiries made on the subject, it would seem that the habit of eating poison among the inhabitants of lower Austria has not grown into a passion, as is the case with the opium eaters in the east, the chewers of the betel nut in India and Polynesia, and of the opium tree among the natives of Peru. When once commenced, however, it becomes a necessity. It some districts sublimate of quicksilver is used in the same way. Our case is particular is mentioned—by a French writer on the effects of narcotics—of a great opium eater at Constantinople who daily consumed the enormous quantity of forty grains of corrosive sublimate with his opium. In the mountainous parts of Peru the above mentioned writer met very frequently with eaters of corrosive sublimate, and in Bolivia the practice is still more frequent, where this poison is openly sold in the market to the Indians.

ADSENSE USED BY HORSE DEALERS.

In Vienna the use of arsenic is of every day occurrence among horse dealers, and especially with the scum of the nobility. They either spike it in a plowshare state among the hoofs or they tie it on the size of a pea in a piece of linen, which they fasten to the curb when the horse is harnessed, and the saliva of the animal soon dissolves it. The shock, semi-blinding appearance of the marriage horse, and especially the much whined framing at the mouth, is the result of the arsenic feeding. It is a common practice with the farm servants in the mountainous parts to throw a pinch of arsenic on the last feed of hay before going up a steep road. This is done for years without the least unfavorable result, but should the horse fall into hands of another owner who withdraws the arsenic, he loses flesh immediately, is no longer lively, and even with the best feeding there is no possibility of restoring him to his former sleek appearance.

The above particulars are curious, inasmuch as they refer to poisons of a peculiarly quick and deadly nature. Our ordinary "indulgences" in this country are the same or kind, though not in degree; for we are also poison eaters. To say nothing of our opium and alcohol consumers, our test-totakers are delighted with the briskness and sparkle of spring water, although these qualities indicate the presence of carbonic acid or fixed air. In like manner, few persons will object to a drop or two of the fragrant corrosive, sulphuric acid extract in a glass of water, to which it commingles an agreeable acid taste, and most of us have, at some period or other of our lives, indulged in acid, arsenic and other deadly poisons under the orders of the physician, or the first of these in the most pleasing form of confectionery.—Cor. Brooklyn Eagle.

The Good of the Newspapers.

"I rather think that the gossip of which we are apt to complain," said John Boyle O'Reilly, "is the safety valve of our security, after all—the balance-wheel of humanity. It were formerly men were afraid of the devil and the law, now they shun public opinion and temper their actions because of that irresponsible crew who goes about with note book in hand photographing the world as it runs. No, newspaper gossip, while it may be overdone, is the safety of our homes and institutions, and in time what evil there is will correct itself. I am a believer in the freedom of expression and in the mission of a well-tempered press."—Cor. Chicago Mail.

A Speaker on the Huntings.

Few English sportsmen when on the huntings take off their hats to address their constituents. As a rule no hats have, and the very sight of a good shaming one tempts them to "smash" it on the spot. It is rated of Mr. Parnell, who thoroughly understands mobs that in the outset of his career, with characteristic sagacity, he spoke hatless. One day at Enniscorthy, however, he found how hard the instincts of equality are to gratify, for while he stood hat in hand, some one got hold of an exposed leg and tried to pull off his new checked trousers but the Parnell suspension proved equal to the strain and the mob was baffled.—Philadelphia Times.

Methods of the Sparrow-Catcher.

The sparrow-catcher's method is known as bat-fowling. For bat-fowling, four sportsmen are the proper number. One of these carries a long stick, with which he beats the ivy or the side of the rick and starts the game. The second bears a lantern at the end of a pole, toward the light of which the birds fly when suddenly aroused from sleep. The other two hold and rattle close against the roosting haunts of the birds a wide-mouthed net, made like a shrimp net, but considerably larger, and into this the sparrows dash, bewildered by the noise and dazzled by the light.—Pater-son Press.

A Singular Meteorological Phenomenon.

A noticeable feature in the climate of south eastern India, according to Col. B. R. Bransom, of the London Geographical Society, is the frequent lightning storms, which occur daily for weeks together, before the setting in of the south west monsoon, unaccompanied by rain or by any sound of thunder. This curious phenomenon is most frequent in districts where land and sea breezes alternate with much regularity.—Arkansas Traveller.

GEO. O. BARNES.

"Praise the Lord. God is Love and Nothing Else."

FETTERBOURGH, INDIA, Dec. 29th, 1885.

DEAR INTERIOR:—"Christmas comes but once a year," and I think we have "made the most of it," in a limited way. At any rate we have enjoyed a "merry" one, without a sting of memory to mar its joys, for they were all "in the LORD."

By the way, why do we begin our celebration of Christmas on the evening before? "Christmas Eve" is as much an "institution" as the next morning. Why else, but that we, as true Israelites, do as Israel did; and accept—once a year at least—the day, as our God gave it in the beginning; when he said of the 1st, 2nd, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th days of creation—"and the evening and the morning" made them the days they were; respectively. I accept this as another "identity," linking us with God's ancient people. The "ear marks" multiply with wonderful rapidity, as investigation proceeds, as we might fairly expect. The "Persian wheel" with its row of earthen cups on an endless rope, and interminable creak, is not used here, on account of the depth of the well; but after water has been obtained, the "dark-eyed beauties," whom she had been visiting in Knoxville, W. G. Dunn and his handsome wife are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Montgomery. Hon. F. F. Bobbitt spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

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HUSTONVILLE, LINCOLN COUNTY.

—Letters have been received announcing the death—Jan. 27th, at Audubon, Texas, of Dr. J. C. Kille, a former citizen of this place.

J. Pleasant McKinney and wife, H. J. Harmon and the family of Squire J. P. Daniel leave to-morrow to locate in Texas. Mr. Daniel has been there for some time making preparation.

Teachers are informed that 40 per cent. of their claims are in the hands of the Superintendent and awaiting their orders. Any communication addressed to J. A. Bogle at Hustonville will receive prompt attention.

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—Miss Lizzie Twidwell is, or rather was, the owner of a beautiful Italian grey hound. When she took train for the city a few days since she left the dog in charge of her sister, who had accompanied her to the depot. As soon as the train started he made his escape and the last seen of him was to run over the track in a desperate attempt to overtake the cars. LATER. The dog returned Saturday considerably worsened in his effort to keep up with a lightning express.

—Jim McElroy was being tried in San Antonio for trying to bribe a colored witness, young and old, did ample justice. Then in the evening, we had our usual service, and the dear LORD gave me sweetest liberty in preaching on His Sec Advent, as I had discussed, "Christmas eve," on the First—trying to gather worshipping hearts around His cradle at Bethlehem. Again we sang the two hymns, above mentioned, and I trust, many, will, from that service henceforth, be waiting for him, who, coming alone will right earth's wrongs and change her groans into songs of joy.

—Returning to the Major's hospital's huddle we gave ourselves up to the amusement of the happy children, till bed time. I have rarely spent a more delightful Christmas.

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"I was the first person, myself."

"You don't understand me. When he was talking to you did he use the words, 'I will pay you \$50'?"

"He said he would give me \$50 if I—"

"He can't have used those words. He didn't speak as a third person."

"No sir; he took good keer dat dar was no third person present. Dar was only us two. Defendant am too smart ter hab anybody listenin' when he am talking about his own rockety."

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"No, bob; he didn't say nuffin' about you payin' me \$50. Your name wasn't mentioned 'ceptin' dat he told me of her. I got inter a crepe dat you was de best lawyer in San Antonio to fool de Judge and jury."

"You can stop down."—Texas Sittings.

A stranger in the capital city of Texas, who seemed to be lost, asked Gue De Smith:

"Say, how do I get to the railroad depot?"

"Say, what?"

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—Two men were killed in Memphis by a snow slide from a roof.

on to warm rooms and comfortable beds, when we think of him, the live long night, on his cheerless perch and the few pice he gets for his dismal work.

Futieghurk is famous for potatoes—not remarkable for size or quality, but in prodigious quantities. The farmers supply quite an area with the succulent tuber. It was first introduced here, many years ago, by a horticultural Doctor, who took special interest in its cultivation, and got the natives to make a crop of it. Since which time, the cultivators around Furruckabad have retained the lead, in that which they were the first to attempt, and have reaped a golden harvest for their enterprise. The fertile, highly-cultivated soil around the city, for miles, is now covered with the deep, green foliage of this indispensible vegetable. The watering is done from the wells, by means of a great bag of leather lowered and drawn up by a single pulley and worked by a single yoke of oxen. The "Persian wheel" with its row of earthen cups on an endless rope, and interminable creak, is not used here, on account of the depth of the well; but after water has been obtained, the "dark-eyed beauties," whom she had been visiting in Knoxville, W. G. Dunn and his handsome wife are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Montgomery. Hon. F. F. Bobbitt spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

CRAB ORCHARD, LINCOLN COUNTY.

—In Chadwick & Hutchings' show-case is a lemon weighing 15 pence, grown by Mr. J. R. Lawrie.

—J. E. Carson's little daughter, Bessie, is dangerously ill. Miss Mollie King is very sick at Dr. J. D. Pettus'. Mrs. W. P. Tatman is yet very low, as also is Mrs. Harry Collier.

—For correctness of books and reports, R. H. Bronaugh bears the palm over all the storekeepers under Mr. Bronson. For promptness and strict attention to business Reub can not be excelled in any department.

—The candidates for Circuit Judgeship did not trust their noses to the frost Friday last, hence there was no speaking here; but very few people were in town any way, on account of the general reluctance to soil and trample the 20 inches of the "beautiful" that wraps the field and wood.

—Miss Lillie Pettus is again visiting at Dr. J. D. Pettus'. Miss Jean Buchanan, one of Crab Orchard's loveliest ladies, is at home, and brought with her Miss Annie Logan, one of Knoxville's handsomest little dark-eyed beauties, whom she had been visiting in Knoxville. W. G. Dunn and his handsome wife are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Montgomery. Hon. F. F. Bobbitt spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

—After a useful life of remarkable activity, Mr. Jacob Guest died Sunday morning at 4:20 o'clock, aged 81 years and 5 months. He took his bed only a few days before and gradually sank away. His last hours were passed in unconsciousness and like the dying of a pendulum, his breath slowly went out without the moving of a muscle or other indication of pain.

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—A man, his wife and six children were frozen to death on the prairie near Oberlin, Kansas.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sore, Sore Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Irritations, and positively cures Piles, or no required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Penny & McAllister.

Interesting Experiences.

Hiram Cameron, Furniture Dealer of Columbus, Ga., tells his experience thus: "For three years I have tried every remedy on the market for Stomach and Kidney Disorders, but got no relief, until I used Electric Bitters. Took fire bottles and an iron cure, and think Electric Bitters the best Blood Purifier in the world." Major A. Reed, of West Liverpool, Ky., used Electric Bitters for an old standing Kidney affection and says: "Nothing has ever done me so much good as Electric Bitters." Sold at 50 cents a bottle by Penny & McAllister.

A Captain's Fortunate Discovery.

Capt. Coleman, schr. Weymouth, playing between Atlantic City and N. Y., had been troubled with a cough so that he was unable to sleep, and was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It not only gave him instant relief, but allayed the extreme soreness in his breast. His children were similarly affected and a single dose had the same happy effect. Dr. King's New Discovery is now the standard remedy in the Coleman household and on board the schooner. Free Trial Bottles of this Standard Remedy for Penny & McAllister's Drug Store.

Positive Cure for Piles.

To the people of this country we would say that we have been given the Agency of Dr. Marchal's Italian Pile Ointment—emphatically guaranteed to cure or money refunded—Internal, External, Bleeding, or Itching Piles. Price 50c a box. For sale by Penny & McAllister, Druggists.

Daughters, Wives and Mothers.

We emphatically guarantee Dr. Marchal's Catarrh, & Feminine Remedy, to cure Female Diseases, such as Ovarian trouble, Inflammation and Ulceration, Fallopian and Displacement or bearing down falling, Irregularities, Barrenness, Change of Life, Leucorrhoea, besides many weaknesses springing from the above, like Headache, Bloating, Spinal Weakness, Sleeplessness, Nervous Debility, Palpitation of the Heart, &c. for sale by Druggists. Prices \$1 and \$2 per bottle. Send to Dr. J. B. Marchal, Utica, N. Y., for pamphlet, free. For sale by Penny & McAllister, Druggists.

WHY WILL YOU cough when Shiloh's Cure will give immediate relief? Price 10c, 60c and \$1. For sale by M. L. Bourne.

THE REV. GEO. H. THAYER, of Bourne, Ind., says: "Both myself and wife owe our lives to SHILOH'S CONSUMPTION CURE. For sale at M. L. Bourne's."

ARE YOU MADE miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizzines, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale at M. L. Bourne's.

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Stanford, Ky., February 9, 1886

W. P. WALTON.

A GENUINE whipping post bill is before the House and it was presented by that old wheel horse, Col. Paul Thompson, of Mercer. It provides that any person, except a female, who steals goods, money, chattel, cattle or other thing of less value than \$300 shall be punished with stripes not exceeding thirty-five in number on his bare back. A female guilty of such offense shall be confined in jail from ten to thirty days. A man's physical condition must be considered in fixing the punishment, and if whipping would be dangerous he shall be jailed from twenty to seventy days. Now Col. if you will succeed in having such a bill passed, you will receive the plaudits of everybody in the State, save a few sentimentalists, whose opinions are not worth considering in the matter.

KENTUCKY has 118 counties, more than half of which are what are known as pauper counties—that is draw more from the State treasury than they pay into it. There would be better government and fewer cliques and factions, if the number were reduced one-half, but as there is no prospect of that, our statesmen should profit by experience and see that there is no increase at any rate. There are three petitions before the present Legislature for the formation of three new counties, gotten up no doubt by men who wish to speculate in real estate by the establishment of county seats and get all out of the State treasury they can. Let the General Assembly give a cold shoulder to all such jobs.

A BILL has been offered by Senator Harris looking to the solution of the muddle the asinine Legislature has gotten the penitentiary management into. It proposes to pay South \$3,000 for services never rendered, order him down and out and hereafter allow the directors of the penitentiary, who are responsible for its management, to choose a warden and control the institution. This is a pretty costly way out of the mess but it is better than to permit the threatened calamity which awaits the State under the present order of things, brought on by a set, which would engulf the State in ruin to gratify a little personal spite.

THE republican senators do not seem so anxious for reasons and papers in removal of officers by the President. Senator Edmunds who leads the effort to embarrass the executive, fearing that the members of his party would not stand by him in the business, called a caucus to consider the question when so few responded that nothing was done, save that the Senator waited around a few times on his ear because he had been treated with so little consideration. The other senators have no doubt seen what Edmunds will do after a while, that the people voted for a change of officers and intend to see that it is made.

THE Senate has passed a bill requiring counties to pay the cost of transporting prisoners from one county to another which it is calculated will save the State \$25,000 annually. We can see no hardship in this. A county that will not build a jail sufficient to hold its prisoners ought not to want to tax the other counties for its neglect. Now let each county support its own idiots and a \$100,000 more will be saved the State annually.

We can see no good reason why Louisville should be exempted from the penalty against base ball playing on Sunday, though the Senate in its transcendent wisdom passed the bill in that shape. The law should include every locality in the State and the penalty should be severe, else theatricals and any other exhibitions for money or pleasure should be allowed to desecrate the Sabbath.

ONE of the most promising youngsters in the field of journalism is the London Leader, edited by Mr. M. T. Craft, a ready and pleasing writer, who is devoted to his work and anxious for the improvement and development of his section. It is brimful of news and sensible editorials and has plainly demonstrated that it has come to stay. So excellent a Craft could not fail to weather the storm.

THERE was a storm of indignation a few years ago when the Senate passed a bill to allow each of its members a clerk, but it became a law all the same. And now the congressmen emboldened by the success of that raid upon the people's money, think that they must be furnished a clerk each at the public expense and bill to that effect is now pending in the House.

THE Harrodsburg Democrat thinks the Senate of the Kentucky Legislature committed one of the most cruel as well as one of the most asinine acts any deliberate body has ever been guilty of, when, by the decisive vote of 26 to 5, it resolved to repeal the law which provides for the existence of the Geological Survey and Bureau of Immigration.

THE auditor's report of the amounts of money paid to attorneys during the years 1883, 1884 and 1885, for attending to law business for the State, shows a total which proves how numerous are the leaks in and raids upon the treasury. Several Louisville lawyers drew sums of \$1,000 to \$2,000 and the entire amount paid out foots up a small fortune.

Since 1870, the pension payments have amounted to \$380,647,200. The bill to increase the pensions of widows, which has already passed the House and is now pending in the Senate, will add to the annual expenditure \$100,902. Great God, where is the thing to stop?

REFERRING to our notice that we would be compelled to reduce our number of exchanges, the Breckenridge News says: "If the I. J. intends docking this office we should be very much pleased to know how much wampum it takes to get it for a year. Our near neighbors are highly appreciated on account of their general excellence and local interest, but the INTERIOR JOURNAL and Covington Commonwealth are two papers we are not going to do without, whatever happens." Thanks, Brother Sutton, we never had the slightest idea of giving up your paper. It comes under the head of the necessities of this office, where it is greatly appreciated.

THE dark, deep, devilish scheme of the republican members of the General Assembly to ride into power on a split in the democratic party in the State on account of the South matter, which a correspondent thinks he has unearthed is so slight a ghost that will hardly do to scare babies with. The democratic party don't break up in that way.

ONE of the heaviest drains on the treasury for the amount of good that it accomplishes is the Register of the Land Office. Last year it cost \$7,683.40 to run it, while the receipts were only \$1,517.50, an excess of \$1,245.90 over them. A new constitution would no doubt abolish this costly luxury.

YOUNG DeROODE was fined \$250 for assaulting Elmer H. H. Gratz at Lexington. At this rate old man DeRoode, who made a cowardly assault on the same gentleman with intent to kill, will be sent to the penitentiary as perhaps he ought to be, if the case is as has been represented.

IT is said that all things come to him who waits and Mr. Lovelty, the new postmaster at Patis, believes in its truth. Twenty five years ago Lincoln turned him out of office, and after waiting that length of time, Mr. Lovelty returns to the same position he held under Buchanan.

THAT very deserving and accomplished young journalist, Mr. Hawthorne Hill, has been promoted to managing editor of the Louisville Commercial, a position which he is eminently qualified to fill.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

—A bill has been introduced to tax banks on other property.

—Neat's bill to investigate Tom Henry was ignominiously laid on the table.

—Meser. Ramsey, Arnett and Thomas have been appointed by Speaker Offutt a committee to visit the mines where convicts are employed.

—Maj. Rigney proposed to shorten the working hours of the Senate Saturday, but the members thinking they were short enough now, refused to accede.

—Fifty-two new bills were introduced in the House Saturday, making the total introduced during the session 563, the great majority of them being of a local character.

—The Senate passed a bill leaving it to the discretion of the jury whether a person convicted of carrying concealed deadly weapons shall be fined or imprisoned or both.

—Mr. Ramsey has presented a bill to authorize the Rockcastle County Court to issue and sell lands of said county, and to provide payment of same for the purpose of building a new jail.

—The Senate has passed the bill admitting the lower part of the Territory of Dakota to the Union. It was a strictly party vote, with one exception. Senator Voorhees voted with the republicans.

—A bill will soon be introduced in the Senate repealing the present law in regard to Commonwealth's attorneys and hereafter fixing their salary at \$2,000 a year without fees or perquisites. It is much better to let the law remain as it now is.

—After two or three days lost in discussion the Senate pleuro-pneumonia bill failed of passage in the House, receiving four less than the required majority. A reconsideration was moved and it is thought on a full vote the bill will pass. We observe that Mr. Bobbitt failed to put himself on record either pro or con the bill.

—The Senate has passed a bill, which prohibits the sale by druggists of any liquors save on prescription, and then not more than one quart. Violation of the law by either the physician or druggist robes them of the right to give or fill any such prescriptions in future, unless they make oath never to repeat the offense.

—The Senate passed Senator Bush's bill prohibiting the sale of certain deadly weapons in this State. It provides that any person who shall hereafter sell a pistol, bowie knife, dirk-knife, brass-knucks or slug-shot, shall, on conviction, be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, or imprisonment from ten to thirty days, or both fined and imprisoned, in the jury's discretion. This would do very well for a law, if all the States would adopt it, but we are too close to three others for it to help matters much here.

NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

—Mr. Henry Waterson is reported seriously ill.

—Austin, Texas, has just suffered a \$100,000 fire. A dry goods establishment burned.

—Mrs. John S. Barbour, wife of Congressman Barbour, died of concussion of the brain, caused by a fall.

—It is a notable fact that while at Lexington on Wednesday last fourteen inches of snow fell there was not a flake at Covington. —[Commonwealth.

—The thermometer registered but 3 below zero at Norfolk and 8 below at Richmond, Va., and still we are told it was the coldest snap ever known in the State.

—The average daily mail received by the House is said by Postmaster Dalton to be between 13,000 and 15,000 letters, an average of nearly forty letters per day to each Congressman, though some receive as many as 200.

—Judge Charles A. Hardin says he is a candidate for Appellate judge to succeed Judge Pryor.

—An explosion in a Bessemer Steel Works at Homestead, Pa., killed 15 persons and wounded 20 others.

—J. B. Lovely has been appointed postmaster at Paris and our friend, Col. F. L. McChesney, gets left again.

—The Commissioner of Pensions estimates that \$75,800,000 will be required for pensions the next fiscal year.

—George L. Lorillard, of the well-known New York family of that name, died at Nice, France, after a long illness.

—Ignatius C. Mattingly, postmaster under Buchanan, at Bardstown, was found dead in his bed Saturday. He was 80 years of age.

—The thermometer registered 25° below zero Friday morning at Staunton, Va. At Watertown, N. Y., the mercury was 40° below.

—Nashville comes to the front with an eight-year-old murderer. John Thornton, aged nine, was shot and fatally wounded by Henry Welch.

—The Louisville & Nashville has determined to change its gauge May 31st, and all the others in the South will follow suit the next day.

—It is stated that there are over fifteen hundred houses in Chicago which remain untenanted because of the belief that they are haunted by ghosts.

—The January fire loss of the United States and Canada is \$12,000,000, which is \$2,000,000 more than the average January loss in the past ten years.

—C. J. Norwood, State Inspector of Mines, states that the total output of coal for 1885 in Kentucky was 1,600,000 tons. The total increase over last year is \$1,800 tons.

—Winchester added 133 houses to her number last year, and one of our most careful contractors estimates the number to be built during the coming year at 150.—[Democrat.

—Chesley Chambers, the Monon robber, who has been on trial at Bloomington Ind., for a week, was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and be imprisoned in the penitentiary for two years.

—Nelson Hendricks, a negro, living two miles from London, beat his wife and drove her from home Thursday night. She was found dead in the snow, near his house. He ought to be lynched.

—Richard Bakrow, a Louisville drummer, has been found guilty of abducting a woman at Shreveport, La. The offense is punishable by confinement in the State prison for not more than five years.

—The body of James A. Garfield was Saturday placed in a new sarcophagus which cost \$2,000, prepared expressly for its reception. The military guard about its tomb will remain until June 1.

—Johannes Abe, of Indianapolis, remedied the chances of the rope breaking by tying it to the limb of a tree overhanging a stream, when he attempted suicide. Sure enough, it did break, and Mr. Abe fell into the water and was drowned.

—Senator Frye's bill creating a Commission to investigate the liquor traffic in all its branches—economic, criminal, moral and scientific—has been favorably reported from Mr. Blair's Committee. It appropriates \$10,000 for expenses, and if it becomes a law will furnish a nice juketing period for five Senators and a clerk or two.

—The Elmdene hill in regard to counting the electoral vote, now before the Senate, provides that each State provide a tribunal to decide who are its lawful electors, so that only one return should be sent to Washington to be counted, and that both the Senate and the House must agree to deprive a State of its sanctioned vote.

—The Senatorial muddle in Ohio is in a fair way of solution. The Hamilton country members are to retain their seats pending investigation at the hands of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, and all questions of dispute arising in the Committee are to be submitted for arbitration to ex-Senator Thurman and Judge R. A. Harison.

—The House has passed a bill, which prohibits the sale by druggists of any liquors save on prescription, and then not more than one quart. Violation of the law by either the physician or druggist robes them of the right to give or fill any such prescriptions in future, unless they make oath never to repeat the offense.

—The Senate passed Senator Bush's bill prohibiting the sale of certain deadly weapons in this State. It provides that any person who shall hereafter sell a pistol, bowie knife, dirk-knife, brass-knucks or slug-shot, shall, on conviction, be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$100, or imprisonment from ten to thirty days, or both fined and imprisoned, in the jury's discretion. This would do very well for a law, if all the States would adopt it, but we are too close to three others for it to help matters much here.

—Mrs. Mary Duke, of Danville, had her ankle sprained and her jaw broken in a railroad accident near Kansas City, in which many others were hurt.

—Moors. A. J. Rice and Jessie Fox on

yesterday shipped to Atlanta 23 good cotton mules. Mr. L. H. Hudson went to Atlanta on Sunday, when he has a lot of mules.

—Mr. H. T. Bender, pension examiner, is still unearthing frauds that have been

resorted to in Boyle county in order to obtain pensions from the best government the world over now. Mr. Bender will soon

leave Danville, when he will be succeeded by Mr. Logan, of Illinois.

—Mr. Basil Guee and his sister, Miss

Laura Guest, went to Crab Orchard Sunday

to attend the funeral of their grand father, Mr. Jacob Guest, who died there Sunday morning. Mr. and Mr. J. W. Guest and others of the family had been with the old gentleman several days before his death occurred.

—The two auctions are still booming.

Capt. Boone has broken down and is tem-

porarily succeeded by Capt. T. D. English.

Capt. Boone above mentioned has fil-

ed in the Boyle Circuit Court a suit

against F. M. Green, of the Richmond Reg-

ister, for \$10,000 damages, the cause of ac-

tion being alleged slanderous and defama-

tory utterances in the columns of the Reg-

ister.

—Judge Charles A. Hardin says he is a candidate for Appellate judge to succeed Judge Pryor.

—An explosion in a Bessemer Steel Works at Homestead, Pa., killed 15 persons and wounded 20 others.

—J. B. Lovely has been appointed post-

master at Paris and our friend, Col. F. L.

McChesney, gets left again.

—The Commissioner of Pensions esti-

mates that \$75,800,000 will be required for

pensions the next fiscal year.

—George L. Lorillard, of the well-known

New York family of that name, died at

Nice, France, after a long illness.

—Ignatius C. Mattingly, postmaster under

Buchanan, at Bardstown, was found dead in

his bed Saturday. He was 80 years of age.

—The thermometer registered 25° below

zero Friday morning at Staunton, Va. At

Watertown, N. Y., the mercury was 40° below.

—Nashville comes to the front with an

eight-year-old murderer. John Thornton,

aged nine, was shot and fatally wounded by

Henry Welch.

—The Louisville & Nashville has deter-

mined to change its gauge May 31st, and all

the others in the South will follow suit on

the next day.

—It is stated that there are over fifteen

hundred houses in Chicago which remain

untenanted because of the belief that they

Stanford, Ky., - - February 9, 1886

E. C. WALTON, - Business Manager.

I. & N. LOCAL TIME CARD.

Mail train going North 1:05 P. M.
" South 12:15 P. M.
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LOCAL NOTICES.

Buy your school books from Penny & McAlister.

WATCHES and Jewelry repaired on short notice and warranted by Penny & McAlister.

Buy the Hare Hog Remedy, the original and only genuine, from Penny & McAlister.

A COMPLETE stock of jewelry, latest style. Rockford watches a specialty. Penny & McAlister.

PERSONAL.

—Miss WILLIE GARDNER, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. C. Stader.

—Miss MARY CARRICK, of Scott county, is the guest of Misses Elsie and Gata Givens.

—Misses D. F. LOGAN and LOVIE, Lillard, of Boyle, were here Sunday sleigh riding the girls.

—Mrs. M. C. PORTMAN, Mrs. Cath Bailey and Miss Lizzie Portman have returned from Louisville.

—Mr. GEORGE C. KELLER, JR., has returned from a visit to his mother at Harrodsburg, who is in bed health.

—Mr. D. KLAAS has returned from a month's visit to relatives in Missouri and Kansas. He is a regular mow now.

—Mr. W. E. MCALISTER, who married Miss Givens of this county, is a candidate for judge of the Jefferson Court of Common Pleas.

JUDGE CHARLES E. KINCAID, of Kentucky, has been appointed to a clerkship in the document room of the House of Representatives.

—MISS EMMA WARREN has bought Mrs. Tabler's interest in the millinery business and she and Miss Ella Smiley will run it as partners hereafter.

—MISS JEAN BUCHANAN, of Crab Orchard, and Miss Annie Logan, of Knoxville, who is visiting her, passed on the train to Huntington yesterday to attend the Weatherford-Logan nuptials.

—MR. JOHN PEPEL is a subscriber after our own heart. He never fails to come in and renew his subscription on time, but crams his pockets full of apples for the boys, who wish there were more men in the world like him.

—MR. D. B. EDMISTON returned from Huntsville and Decatur, Ala., Sunday and reports that there was no snow at either of those points nor did he observe any till some 40 miles this side of Chattanooga. From there on this way it was deeper and deeper till in Pulaski it reached about two feet.

—MRS. LULA CLAY BROCK, after completing her course of education here, leaves for Somerset to day, bearing with her the good will and esteem not only of her class but many other of our citizens. She is a most deserving lady and we trust the good citizens of Somerset will treat her with the same kind attention that she has received here.

LOCAL MATTERS.

CIGARS—best in town. Waters & Raney.

THERE were prospects of a big thaw last night.

TEACHERS will find something to their interest in the Huntington letter.

D. C. ALLEN has opened a butcher shop in the basement of the Van Arsdale store-room.

THE chain gang did the best work of the season in opening the streets during the late snow blockade.

JOHN SMILEY, pursued by snow ballers, fell through one of the large windows in McRoberts & Stagg's store, Sunday, completely demolishing it.

ON our first page to-day will be found a striking and instructive illustration of the comparative worth of the various kinds of baking powders now in the market.

HOMINY, Grins, Cerealine, Krout Corn, Tomatoes, Cheese, Macaroni, Dried Apples and Peaches, Prunes, Cooking Figs, all new, at A. A. Warren's "Model Grocery."

THE firm of Bright & Metcalf has dissolved, Mr. Bright taking the wagon, buggy and machinery department and Mr. Metcalf the grocery. We regret to learn that Mr. Bright intends removing to Texas as soon as he can close out.

THE death of Mr. Jacob Guest removes one of our oldest and most honored landmarks. An excellent business man, he grew to be very wealthy, his fortune even after large gifts to his only son and heir, James W. Guest, now being estimated at \$70,000.

Not desiring that Mr. George D. Weagen should have all the credit for not using his monopoly of the coal trade to oppress his patrons, Mr. H. C. Bright thinks it is due to him that we say that when he had the monopoly last winter he sold coal at the same figures that it is now sold at, although it cost him 1½ cents more.

A SUIT for \$10,000 damages has, we learn, been instituted by Capt. Sam M. Boone against Mr. F. M. Green of the Richmond Register, alleging defamation of character. We believe that paper stated that the wounds on account of which the Captain seeks to draw a pension were received in a drunken row and not in the defense of the National Government.

MACKENZIE put up in good three-hoop Buckets instead of kits for sale by T. R. Walton.

THE large plate glass transom over Col. Miller's store-room occupied by Bruce & McRoberts fell Saturday and broke into a thousand pieces. Examination showed that it had never been properly secured in position and the wonder is that it had not fallen before.

THERE is a bitch in the postoffice transfer. Capt. Richards has received his commission, but Mr. Alford has no instructions to turn the business over to him. He tells us that he has no desire to hold on a moment now, but wants to act according to the rule laid down.

OWING to the cold weather but a small crowd attended the Rink Friday night, but it was one of the most enjoyable of the season to those present. The music was tip-top. Judging from appearances the season will close soon, so come out Friday night and enjoy it while it lasts.

THERE is some awfully loose screws in the transfer of mail from Frankfort here. Sometimes we do not get the Capital for a week when they will all come in a batch, thereby rendering them useless to us as far as the legislative reports are concerned. Bro. Triplett, can't we combine and get the rascals turned out who cause the annoying delay?

AN alarm of fire brought most of our citizens to the street yesterday morning to learn that their services were no longer needed. The roof of the dwelling of Judge J. M. Phillips caught fire but was extinguished by Mr. W. G. Raney, assisted by Will Atkins and another colored man, before more than \$30 in damage had been sustained.

THE ghost of the old *Ulster County Gazette* will not down even as much as Bancho's. A correspondent sends us a liberal extract from a copy just come to light but for obvious reasons, we have to decline to publish it. We have seen at least a dozen copies of the paper and have nearly that many on hand. A million of them were struck off during the Philadelphia centennial so exactly like the original containing an account of George Washington's death, that they are palmed off continually on the unsophisticated.

READING ROOM.—Mr. M. F. Huistell tells us that the railroad men have organized for the purpose of establishing a reading room at Rowland. Already there are 40 subscribers at \$5 each and the first meeting was held Sunday, when Capt. Smith Irwin was elected president and W. M. Bogie, secretary and treasurer. The engineer's room near the depot will be used and a meeting for the adoption of by-laws and to decide on the kind of books and periodicals to be purchased will be held next Sunday. This is a most excellent move and one that will result in great benefit to the men, who will have some place to spend their idle moments pleasantly and profitably.

THIS is indeed a winter of remarkable weather surprises. The cold snap which came the first week in January and ran the mercury down to 21° below zero, was thought then to be the coldest weather that could ever come in this latitude, but last Friday morning saw that discounted it from 2 to 4 degrees, the large spirit thermometer at Penny & McAlister's registering 26° and the mercury at McRoberts & Stagg's, more exposed, 28° below zero. It was the bitterest cold that any of us ever experienced, but fortunately it did not last long and by noon it was comparatively pleasant as anything appears to be above zero now. There has been but little snow yet and the 20 inches of snow which fell last Tuesday and Tuesday night still envelope the earth nearly to that depth and if anybody calls it beautiful shoot him on the spot.

THE trial of the McKinney thieves and their accomplices was continued yesterday before Judge Varnon. Jim Gragg, who gave a vast amount of information concerning the theft, on the promise by the citizens to do something for him, as he says, refused point blank to talk yesterday when brought out to testify against old man Sam Hahan and his daughter, Mary Sinkhorn. The Judge ordered him to jail for contempt, but as he was already a prisoner that could have no effect. We had a chat with him in jail last evening and he said he does not intend to open his mouth against anybody again. Fortunately there was sufficient evidence against Hahan and the Sinkhorn woman without him and they were held for further trial, the old man on a \$200 bond and the woman on her own recognisance, it being shown that she was in no condition to stand imprisonment. A large quantity of the goods stolen from Mr. Ware was found on Hahan's premises sewed up in pillows, bed ticks, &c. George Dangherly was tried for stealing a bee hive from John Beck and given 60 days on the rock pile. For stealing a hog from Jacob Smith he was held in bond of \$50. Hiram Wells for receiving stolen goods was discharged as there was no testimony against him after Gragg refused to testify. Nelson Stringer was re-arrested for complicity in the McKinney theft, but was discharged on his own recognizance to the Circuit Court. County Attorney Carpenter was assisted in the prosecution by W. E. Varnon and W. H. Miller represented the defense in all the cases. This disposed of the whole matter so far as the examining trials are concerned.

MARRIAGES.

—There are rumors of two marriages in town.

—Mr. W. A. Flatt, a worthy young business man, and Miss Lockie Belle, the pretty daughter of Squier J. P. Daniel, all of McKinney, will be joined in marriage to-morrow.

—Mr. Lucius Perkins, a Garrard county widower, obtained license yesterday to marry Miss Rebecca J. Bell, daughter of the late W. M. Bell, of this county. The marriage will take place to-morrow.

RELIGIOUS.

—Eld. Sweeney's meeting at Paris closed with 46 additions.

—The meeting at the Presbyterian church closed Sunday night with 21 confessions.

—Harrison, the "boy" preacher, is now 44 years old. He must be the "Old Boy" we hear so much talk of in religious discussions.

—Dr. Armstrong, of Atlanta, was declared guilty by Ecclesiastical court, of immorality and sentenced to ten years' suspension from the ministry.

—Missionary W. P. Harvey's recent meetings in Eastern Kentucky have resulted in \$10,000 added, eight churches organized, and \$30,000 raised for church building.

—The Episcopal Almanac for 1886 reports 3,013 parishes, an increase of 47; 3,725 clergymen, an increase of 80; 398,990 communicants, an increase of 17,006; \$8,690,044 contributions, a decrease of \$352,580.

—Rev. W. W. Godby has closed the revival meeting at the Methodist church. There was a great manifestation of religious feeling under his preaching. About 50 persons were converted and 20 "sanctified." —[Bardstown Record.]

—The record of the Methodist meeting up to Tuesday night shows 156 admissions; 70 of these united with the M. E. church; 70 to the M. E. Church, and 10 to the Christian church. Of this number 140 have been converted. —[Vanceburg Courier.]

—The Owenton *News* gives a good report of Rev. G. W. Perryman's first pastoral year in that town. Fifty-one have been added to his church and during the time he had held protracted meetings at other points by which 120 were led to Jesus. The paper adds: "He seems to be growing in favor with the membership of the church, as an earnest, amiable, consecrated and efficient laborer in the Master's vineyard—one whose worth and work are growing in the minds and hearts of the people."

LAND, STOCK AND CROP.

—Corr for sale. M. S. Peyton, Stanford.

—Hot-house strawberries are selling in New York at \$4 per box.

—Cyrus M. Jones sold to Wakefield & Lee 19 two-year-old mules at \$57.50.

—Jack VanArdall bought \$2,000 barrels of corn at \$2. —[Harrington Democrat.]

—For SALE.—I have a lot of nice clover hay, suitable for feeding cows. Daniel E. Stagg, Jr.

—Givens & Carter, of this county, sold to Bruce & Lee, of Boyle, 13 small 2 year-old mules for \$350.

—John Buchman, of Bourbon, bought for J. W. Cecil, of Cross Bridges, Tenn., a car-load of yearling mules, mostly mares, at \$7.50 per head.

—A transfer of 76,000 acres of land in South Carolina was made to Dr. C. Whittier, of California, the consideration being \$80,000. The town of Whittier will be located on it.

—The total number of hogs packed in the West since November 1 is estimated at 5,500,000, against 5,555,000 for the same period last year. Louisville figures in this estimate 121,000 head, which is rather under the actual total.

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A Card to the Public.

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WOMAN AND HOME.

TEACHING BOYS A LITTLE PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE OF HOUSEKEEPING.

When the Tired Guest Arrives—The Over-Neat Housekeeper—Congressmen's Wives—Vital Force in Sunlight—Fash-tionable Cruelty—Odds and Ends.

My mother was something of an anomaly among womankind, for she held to the belief that there were times when a man was a pretty good thing to have in the kitchen. My brothers and I were early taught that a little practical knowledge of housekeeping would do us no harm. "And it may be of use to you," mother would often say, "and you might just as well learn some of these kitchen mysteries as to be racing around the streets doing worse things."

Many a time, when I was a good-sized boy, have I had to tie a big gingham apron around my neck and wash and wipe the dishes, and "tidy up" the kitchen under mother's direction—and that, too, when there were three girls in our family. I always had the care of my own room, I had to make my own bed, and make it after the most approved plan. There was no "slovenly" work done in my mother's house; I was taught how to sweep and dust a room properly, how to sew on buttons and repair rents in my garments, and, when I was 13 years old, I could make a nice biscuit, and, later on, I was initiated into the mysteries of bread and pie making. I could make good coffee and tea also.

And what you may ask, were my three sisters doing all this time? They learned all I learned, and many things mother thought I had no need to learn. In fact, they are all thorough cooks and housekeepers, and they can do what few women can—they can drive nails with the skill and accuracy of carpenters, they can put up shelves, they are "handy" with the saw, the hammer, and the hatchet,—you would hardly believe it if I were to tell you just how accomplished they are in this direction. Mother used to say, "I have found it so convenient to be able to drive my own nails, put up and even make my own shelves, and do my own little carpentering, that I am determined my girls shall possess like knowledge."

The boys of our family are boys no longer, the girls have long been women, we all have homes and children of our own. None of us boys are "Miss Nancy's," and none of my sisters are "masculine" in their ways or manners. I am poor, myself, and sometimes unable to keep a servant, which is not a great affliction in this era of insufficient help, and, when my wife is helpless with one of her sick headaches, or when she wants to go out to her mother's with the baby for a week, it is she says a "great comfort" to feel that the man in the kitchen is not dirtying up every dish in the house, and breaking half of them; that he is not boiling tea the never boils it all in the silver teapot; that he is not drinking hot, muddy coffee out of the precious cut glass goblets; that he is not frying eggs on a griddle or toasting his bread by putting it flat on top of the stove; that the dust and dirt is not being swept into corners, under beds, or under the stove; that his bed is made every day, that he gives some attention to dusting and airing the rooms, and that all his wants are attended to by himself, and that no change of Miss Nancyism or femininity can be had at his doors.

I camped out in a log cabin for a year in the Rocky mountains during the Leadville era. For months I did not see a woman, and how often, as I sat down to my own cup of good coffee, with meat properly cooked and well made biscuit or bread, did I recall my mother's words—"The time may come when you will be glad that I taught you to do these things." It had come then, and there are times in the lives of most men when a knowledge of at least the primary principles of cooking are valuable to him, and will contribute much to his comfort.

Deliver me from the man who is always poking his nose" into the kitchen when it is not needed there, and when it has no business to be there, but when, in the worst possible of all cases, he is needed in the kitchen, it is a blessed thing to know how to conduct himself when he gets there.—Zenas Dane.

When the Tired Guest Arrives.

After a journey people are always tired, hungry or needing a bath, usually all three. It is not very near meal time, however, if a cup of tea or coffee and a slice of toast or some cake will be agreeable; if so have it prepared without a moment's delay and set up tastefully arranged on a small waiter; be careful to have everything as dainty and delicate as you know how to make it, remembering the stomach of a guest is not necessarily the "stomach of a sow-sow."

Plenty of water, both hot and cold, should be ready in the room. In damp, cool or cold weather a fire is indispensable, and a small vessel for heating water is sometimes a convenience.

Most persons expecting to remain away from home any time take their own toilette paraphernalia—towels, soap, combs, etc., but a guest chamber should be supplied with some nice soap, a clean bright comb and brush and plenty of clean towels. As people have preferences in the qualities of towels always provide two handsome damask towels, smooth and glossy, one fine muslin, one fine bleached wash, one tatted bathing towel and two square flannel wash towels, those that are used may be replaced by others of the kind; clean towels every day. A well-bred, considerate visitor will always be careful of the things in the room. To make assurance doubly sure it is well to place a neatly folded night dress on the pillow. If the visitor is of the male persuasion rather less attention is required. Men like to fidget out their own way, except when at home; there the poor fellows can not even help themselves to a towel or a collar.

Before leaving your guest, ask if anything else is required, state at what hour you dine and take supper, and at what hour your visitor would like breakfast. If you are early rises a guest should not be disturbed except by particular request.—Minneapolis House-keeper.

She is a Neat Housekeeper.

Mrs. Doremus is a very neat housekeeper, she keeps her house so neat that you feel pleased to be comfortable in it. It seems ridiculous to appear at ease when everything about you looks poor and stiff and cold and clean. You feel that you ought to have on your dress coat which is too tight between the shoulders and your shirt that makes and your collar that chafes. You know it would be the rankest vandalism to move one of those chairs, which seem to have been placed with a square and compass precisely where they are most unwinking, but, there is evil in man, and you would like to fit all the furniture in the middle of the room and climb upon the heap and fiddle over Mrs. Doremus's grief. Mrs. Doremus has a husband and some little old men and women that she calls children. Hurry don't see any of them when you enter her house. The children are out in the wood shed enjoying themselves in a sultry way. The house is neat for them. Everybody, excepting Mrs. Doremus and little Doremuses, admires

Mrs. Doremus's neat house—everybody that doesn't have to live and move and have his being in it.

Mr. Doremus is a slob—so his wife says. He likes to drag a big chair up to the fire and put his feet on the stove and blow tobacco smoke in among the lace curtains and things. Everybody likes Doremus, he is such a good-natured, comfortable fellow; but all censure him for staying at home so little. He is off at the club six nights in the week, and is only sorry that church lets out so soon on the seventh. Once in awhile he stays at home all day Sunday and behaves himself very well until he forgets where he is and leaves his chair standing in the middle of the room where he last used it. Then Mrs. Doremus says something about it and Doremus goes out to the barn and lies on the hay and puts his feet on the rafters and enjoys himself. If you wish to make friends with Doremus and excite all his fraternal sympathy just intimate to him that your wife is a neat, a very neat housekeeper. He will rise and bless you and call you brother and give you advice about which club to join.—Chicago News.

Congressmen's Wives and Social Usages.

As an instance of the ignorance of congressmen's wives about social usages, I give the following: It is the custom here, as elsewhere, to appear in full dress at a great evening reception, and it is also customary in officials to invite with a gentleman guest the ladies of his family. A leading senator who has been spoken of as a presidential candidate gave a large reception last winter and invited all the congressmen of his own state. All were asked to bring their families. One who stated in the congressional directory that he lived and was raised upon a farm came at 7 o'clock in the evening with his wife and three young girls of his family. These girls ranged from 7 to 17 years in age. They had long straight hair, wore high necked dresses, and ribbons about their waists, and both the congressmen's wife and each of the girls expected to remain in the room with their bonnets on.

The senator's wife, who is a very kind-hearted lady, was dressed at this time, although it was two hours before any one might be expected. She tried to persuade the woman to remove her bonnet, but was told that her hair was not combed, and she believed that she would keep it on. Finally, however, the senator's wife told her she would look odd with her bonnet on while all the rest were in full dress, and she persuaded the country woman to allow her to be removed by the hands of the senator's wife's maid. The children also took off their hats but they were the only children present. They stood around during the evening, being made as much at home as was possible by their senatorial hostess.—"Carp" in Cleveland Leader.

Choice of Lifetime Companionship.

Statistics show that in Massachusetts and New York state women have a majority of hundreds of thousands. Why this is we leave others to surmise. It would seem that woman is a favorite with the Lord, and therefore He has made more of that kind. From the order of the creation in paradise, it is evident that woman is an improved edition of man. But whatever be the reason for it, the fact is certain that she who selects a husband has a smaller number of people to select from than he who selects a wife. Therefore a woman ought to be especially careful in her choice of a lifetime companionship. She can not afford to make a mistake. If a man err in his selection he can spend his evenings at the club and still his sensibilities by tobacco smoke but woman has no club-room for refuge, and would find it difficult to habituate herself to cigars. If a woman make a bad job of marital selection the probability is that nothing but a funeral can relieve it. Divorce cases in court may interest the public, but the love-letters of a married couple are poor reading, except for those who write them. Pray God that you be delivered from irrevocable mistake.—Dr. Talmage.

Vital Force Existing in Sunlight.

I have often been asked at what age infants can first be safely exposed to the influence of the open air. My answer is, on the first warm, dry air. There is no reason why a new-born child should not sleep as soundly under the canopy of a garden tree on a pillow of sun-warmed hay as in the atmosphere of an ill-ventilated nursery. Thousands of sickly nurslings, plowing away in the sunniness of our manufacturing towns, might be saved by an occasional sun-bath. Aside from its warmth and chemical influence on vegetal oxygen, sunlight exercises upon certain organisms a vitalizing influence which science has not yet quite explained, but whose effect is illustrated by the contrast between the seeds of a shady grove and those of the sun-filled valley and the aromatic herbage of a mountain meadow, as well as by the peculiar whole-some appearance of a "sunbaked" person and sun-ripened fruit. Sunlight is too cheap to become a fashionable remedy, but its hygienic influence can hardly be overrated.—Dr. Felix L. Oswald.

Mr. Stanton and Miss Anthony.

One of the daughters of Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton gives an amusing account of her way mother and Miss Susan B. Anthony work together on their "History of Women Suffrage." Mrs. Stanton is a stickler for the philosophy of the suffrage movement, and Miss Anthony is particular about dates. The ladies often get into several discussions over their subjects and dip their pens into their ink-bottles, and their manuscript-boards into their ink-bottles in their excitement over their work. They sit at opposite sides of a large double desk in Mrs. Stanton's library, and occasionally they find each other so persistent in opinion that they sit back and stare at each other in a silence that is very near anger. Once in a while they will march out of the room by different doors, and there seems likelihood that their friendship of forty years is about to be broken, but after a while they will be found peaceably at work again together.—Chicago Tribune.

The Tongue is the Cause.

The tongue is the cause of all the trouble in our homes. It is not what we do. It is what we say. A man unkind to his wife! I have known a man to be polite and kind to every man that comes into his store that day, just polite, and then go home and stab his wife with meanness. Brothers, haven't you seen men like that? Did you not see one just while you were brushing your hair this evening? How many times a good, pain-taking wife has arranged all day to make home pleasant for her husband, and when he comes in she greets him with a kiss, and before he has been at home ten minutes he takes that tongue of his and stabs her to the heart. She goes upstairs and cries as if her heart would break. God pity a woman who has got an old bear for a husband.—Rev. Sam Jones.

An Adjustable Three-Sided Mirror.

"Women, as everybody knows, are the easiest to please," said a wan, pale-faced lark in a large jewelry establishment the other day, just after wrestling for an hour and a half with a fat girl in a red hood, who had bought only a silver bangle bracelet for a dollar. The pale-faced clerk sighed and then continued, in a dull and listless sort of a way:

"But I think we've got something now that even the prettiest and meanest female in the

world can't complain about. You know or maybe you don't know; you don't look as though you were married; say, I've been married two years, every woman would rather see the back of her head just after she has put up her hair than anything else on earth. Well, they've been straining their necks and using hand-glasses in front of their mirrors for a long time, and the result has not been particularly satisfactory. It has at last occurred to somebody to invent something to remedy this. There is a three-sided glass. It's rather expensive you see. French plate, with ivory backs. The sides are movable and adjustable. A woman can arrange that thing so that she can sit in front of it and see her back hair without turning her head. The advantage is simply beyond calculation. She can catch her dressing-maid in a lie regularly every morning.—Philadelphia Press.

Devotion to Fashionable Cruelty.

The fashionable craze for bird's plumage as an article of feminine decorations appears to have reached that point in England where disgust is sure to bring reaction. A society has been established in London, composed of leaders of the most aristocratic circles, which has for its purpose the protection of the inhabitants of the air, now persecuted almost to the point of extinction.

In commenting on this fact, a London paper relates a特别 flagrant instance of devotion to fashionable cruelty, which met, however, with prompt and appropriate punishment. A lady appeared at a ball with a dress whose surface was composed entirely of stuffed canaries. Lady Mount Temple, the principal promoter of the Plumage Society, in relating the incident, adds that the birds who inhabited this petticoat chariot-house were very properly treated with cold contempt by every eligible creature in the room. What punishment could have better been made to fit the crime! Only feminine ingenuity could have invented the dress or contrived, the penalty for wearing it.—Globe-Democrat.

How to Brush the Teeth.

This is a matter of no small importance. Most people brush across the teeth from right to left. This manner of brushing will not remove the accumulations from between them, but tends rather to force the debris into the interstices. The brush should be placed against the teeth at the gums, and rotated toward the incisive surfaces. It will thus act somewhat like a bundle of tooth picks. In order to make the work effectual, the brush should be applied, as described, both inside and outside of the teeth, and also upon the grinding surfaces of the double teeth. The mouth should then be thoroughly rinsed with tepid water.—Chicago Journal.

A Great Work Now Inaugurated.

In a town near Hartford, Conn., a number of young ladies have organized a novel club, which they call "The Tongue Guard." Each member pledges herself to pay a penny into its treasury every time she says anything against another person. She provides a box for the pennies, and at the end of three months sends the contents to her neighbors, where the money is utilized for charitable purposes. If every one would follow the example of the Tongue Guard a great many poor children could be comfortably clothed for the winter.—Chicago Tribune.

In Memory of a Loved Wife.

In a recent sermon Rev. Sam Jones said, "I think the finest tombstone I ever saw, was when I was visiting an old friend of mine. After dinner he took me into the garden, and in the most prominent place there was erected a most beautiful tombstone of white marble, in memory of his wife, and on it read her name and the date of her death, and her simple epitaph was this line: 'She made home pleasant for me.'"

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